JEROME ON BUSINESS CRIMES.

COUITABLE GRAFT EXPOSURES PART OF THE TEXT.

Financiers With Larry Summerfield Morals Tammany Hall Code a Better One Even if Tammany "Is a Pack of (rooks Except Those That Aren't."

The Merchants' Protective Association rave District Attorney Jerome a Delmonico inner last night to testify their appreciation of his work in getting through a law at Albany enabling the State authorities to prosecute merchants who obtain credit by making false statements of their assets About seventy-five members of the association were present.

After Edward D. Page, the president. had presented to Mr. Jerome an engrossed eet of resolutions, Mr. Jerome said in part: "I am sensitive to public appreciation of such work as I do. It would be foolish for me to say that I am not. I was not so altruistic as it may appear in getting the amendment passed for which you are thanking me. I wanted the good opinion of the commercial community. I found that commercial people had great difficulties caused by professional swindlers who were advised by eminent counsel and succeeded in falsifying their assets and evading their responsibilities. I found the prosecution of such swindlers almost hope-They were so well advised by counthey kept so closely within the laws on the books that we could not touch them. resolved to work for a more effective

Mr. Jerome told of his journey to Albany to push the amendment. He found everybody busy with gas and Niagara Falls, he said, amid laughter.

"And," he added, with mock pathos. the boss was in Europe and no one had an ear for me. The Legislature was busy carrying off everything in sight that wasn't nailed down. The Governor, I believe to be an upright and honest man. But the statesmen were so busy with their statesmanship and gas and Niagara, and my dear friend Brackett was breaking out at such frequent intervals, that I couldn't make myself heard. But at last I reached Frawby and Saxe. Through them the bill got through and whatever credit you think s due to me must be shared with those gentlemen.

"Gentlemen, we are developing in this present day a subtler form of crime than eny our fathers knew. In the olden days criminals moved along the line of knock down and take. Nowadays robhery has a more commercial aspect. This change is not being met by a corresponding development of laws to punish commercial crimes. England and France have gone better than we. Here a civil suit is often the only remedy—an inadequate

The trouble is that the moral sense of most people is governed by the statute books. Thousands of us are blind on our moral side. Too many men do not know that they are doing an immoral thing until it is pointed out to them as a felony on the statute books. Let us consider an instance. The eminent gentlemen who have been concerned in the Equitable Life Assurance matter have done trings which are not described in Section 528 of the are not described in Section 528 of the Penal Code as larceny in law, but in a moral sense I defy you to distinguish some of the acts of these gentlemen from the crimes named in that statute."

Jerome dwelt on the immorality of the Cambon dinner, which he called an advertisement at the expense of the honor of a friendly nation as much as though a mer-chant were to advertise his business at the expense of another merchant's wife or aughter. He proceeded:

Since the Equitable matter has arisen I have been receiving letters every morning from people who cannot see the difference between the acts of the eminent gentiemen in the Equitable directorate and the confidence game as played by men like Larry Summerfield, whom I re-cently sent to Sing Sing. I cannot make these people understand the difference. They read in the newspapers of high They read in the newspapers of high finance, and they say Good gracious That's not finance, that's stealing! Them they lose their tempers and write to me

What's the matter with you? We voted for you as an honest man. Why don't you put some of these fellows in jail? You put Larry Summerfield away. Why don't you do something to these big crooks? I can't make my correspondents understand that these men are just outside the criminal that these men are just outside the criminal that these men are proposed. statutes, though their morals are really no better than those of the bunco steerer

"I met Larry in a restaurant just before he was tried the last time. He had a talk with me and said frankly enough that he didn't see why he had been indicted and didn't believe that he could be punished, because, he said, he had the best legal advice in New York and had always kept inside of it. The high finance people will tell you the same thing. They are in the same husiness as Summerfield applies the same

business as Summerfield, selling things of no value to suckers. [Laughter.]

Now that's funny, and again it isn't funny. When the writers of my letters see men prospering by just such practises and moving in what is called the Four Hundred, then there is a state of contempt for dred, then there is a state of contempt for law or disesteem of law possible in this community which we ought to do something

to correct."

Recorder Goff, Judge Holt, Senator Saxe and Assemblyman Stanley, who introduced the new law, also spoke. Senator Saxe said that the Legislature wasn't as tad as it was painted. Criticism was easy but not always fair. He had heard Mr. Jerome criticized very severely. easy but not always fair. He had heard Mr. Jerome criticized very severely. Jerome! Where? At the Fifth Avenue Hotel, Saxe? Mr. Saxe wouldn't say. But he added that he never heard anybody say that Jerome was crooked, and seemed to infer that Mr. Jerome ought to return the compliment to the rest of the world. the compliment to the rest of the world.

Senator Frawley took Mr. Jerome to task for having said in his campaign speeches that Tammany Hall was a collection of guerrillas, who would never vote except as they were paid. He said one of the most beautiful spectacles in the world was the appearance of Jerome and Elkus (Devery's lawyer) arm in arm in support of the fraudulent assets law. If graft went by the looks of this, he asked, what ought we to think of Jerome after that? He wanted credit given to Assemhat? He wanted credit given to Assem-lyman Charles Anderson for his share in

Mr. Jerome rose to a question of privilege. Re had forgotten to mention Anderson

Frawley—Aye tank no.

Jerome—He has a brogue, though y be that he caught it from Tom Foley.
Frawley—Anderson stays in his own ct. and that's Sullivan's district.

erome-Oh, well, what can you tell and decome—Oh, well, what can you tell about a man's antecedents when a man named Rosenberg is called Stitch McCarthy? (Laughter.) As for Tammany Hall, it is a pack of crooks, except those that aren't. But there are inighty few of them who have not got a code of morals of some sort, crude as it is—and that's lore than can be said of mora of the adherents of "high finance."

liouse Where Mother of Gen. Grant Once Lived Sold.

A house at 532 Pavonia avenue, Jersey City, once the home of Mrs. Jessie Grant, the mother of Gen. U. S. Grant, and several other buildings on the site of the proposed hew Hudson County Court House, were sold vesterday at public auction. Mrs. Grant's old home was knocked down to a man named Dieffenbach for \$500. Gen. frant's sisters, the late Mary Grant Cramer and Mrs. Virginia Grant Corbin of East Orange, N. J., also lived in the old house LIVE TOPICS ABOUT TOWN.

Through the uptown streets there hustless nowadays a woman who knows what it is to have a sphere in life. She is the widow of a tailor who died some years ago, after a long illness, and left'her nothing but a few debts and a limited number of customers. She did not give up and recome a pensioner on her friends, but decided to keep up the business. She has managed to increase it far teyond what it was in his lifetime, and keeps several men employed, although she never allows any of them to come into contact with her customers. She has learned from experience of the efforts of the men she hires to get the business away from a woman. So she now collects and delivers all the garments and none of her customers ever meets any of her failors. her tailors.

Politely but firmly the usher insisted that the woman in the box remove her hat, as it interfered with the view of the man sitting in the row of seats immediately behind.

"But I bought box tickets especially because I did not want to be forced to remove my hat," protested the woman. "There is no law compelling me to remove

my hat."
"No," agreed the usher, "but it is one of
the rules of the house."
"I'd like to see that rule," she retorted.
The usher turned to her escort.
"Will you kindly show your friend your
seat coupons," he asked. The escort
handed them to her. Her face grew red
has she reached for the hat pins, and the
usher made his way up the aisle.
The man in the next box, who had been a
curious listener to the conversation, turned curious listener to the conversation, turned his coupons over. Stamped on the back

in green ink was this legend: Balcony box seats sold to ladies on con-dition that they remove their hats.

"Yes." said the newsdealer, "I can let you have those extra copies, unless it rains. If it rains, you'll have to wait a day, until I can order some extra copies from the news company."

The customer wondered that a storm should make any difference, and the dealer proceeded to explain. As soon as the pleasant weather sets in few New Yorkers spend the day at home. Sunday morning they gulp a hurried breakfast and make for

At the elevated railroad stations or the ferryhouse they pick up a couple of papers to read going out and back, but so intent to read going out and back, but so intent are they upon making their connections that they do not patronize the regular dealer, who cuts down his regular order for Sunday papers, while the ferry stands increase theirs.

Should it rain the ferry stands find themselves with a lot of useless papers on their hands, while the regular dealer has all he can do to find papers for his customers.

It seems strange to those who have lived in the South and West that the mule is not more used in New York as a draft animal. They are strong and patient, although slow. and for a class of work requiring these characteristics would seem to be ideal. A number of concerns have used them. and a few have tried them and have dis-carded them in favor of horses. The reason is that they are not suited to paved streets The small and comparatively tender feet of the mule cannot stand the pavements and soon break down. In the country, however, on the dirt roads, where they do not need to be so heavily shod, they are

The tenants of a Brooklyn apartment house are just awakening to the fact that they have been buncoed. Several were preparing to renew their leases at the beginning of the month, when they were horrified to receive notice that the rental had been raised more than 25 per cent. Each tenant went to the office of the owner, who is his own agent, and demanded an

Each was heard rationally, and at the conclusion the landlord admitted his error in that particular case and accepted half f the original raise.
Elated at the victory, each tenant went home rejoicing, with a new lease in his pocket, only to wake to the fact that he had been congratulating himself upon a substantial increase in his flat rent.

"It's an old trick," confided the landlord

to a friend. "Threaten a man's life and then compromise on his watch, and he will

for your consideration A former caretaker of Brooklyn City never tires of telling about his experience with his relatives many years ago. As soon as he was appointed he had a photo-graph taken of his little family sitting on the steps of the imposing white building and sent a copy back to Ireland with the inscription. "This is the house I live in; you

inscription. "Inis the nouse I live in, you see I'm doing well."

"I thought that would surprise them."
he said. "but the surprise was on me, for the next steamer brought half a dozen cousins, all come over to share my fortune."

There is a confiding bookseller on Fourth avenue who has for some years made a good living out of his willingness to take an optimistic view of human nature. He has a circulating library which lets books out at the rate of ten cents a week. No refer-ences or deposits are required. It is cheering to hear this man say that he has never yet had a book stolen or damaged more than it should reasonably have been.

On Fourteenth street, near Sixth avenue, of late an old man stands who sells white mice and rats. They are confined in a wire cage, where they spend their time doing six day races with themselves, to the delight of the small boys. At times, however, the old man allows his pets to run in and out of his pockets, to the consternation

of the passing women.

The prices range from 15 cents for white mice to as high as 75 cents for white mice to as high as 75 cents or a dollar for the more fancy breeds. These include the so-called Japanese waltzing mice, which, for some unaccountable reason, find delight in chasing their tails by the half hour. Why they payer get dizzy is one of the in chasing their tails by the half hour. Why they never get dizzy is one of the wonders of the earth.

The Tiffany clock which was for so many years a landmark in Union Square has been going through many wanderings lately The bronze figure bearing the clock on its back was taken a week ago to Thirtyseventh street and placed on the façade of the new building. For several days it stood there apparently a fixture. Then it again disappeared and was not to be seen for another interval. The other day it was put back into its place and now looks as if were there for good.

It is no longer customary for the most fashionable of the city's dressmakers to afternoon. Bent Arrow Bill, with eleven have a sign on their houses unless they happen to have a shop on Fifth avenue. The ordinary dwellings that most of them occupy are unadorned in the majority of cases. One dressmaker who has recently moved into an uptown residential block has made a compromise. She has a sign bearing her name in one of her windows on weekdays. But every Sunday morning she is careful to take it down. has made a compromise.

CURES CORNS AND BUNIONS. Nothing Like It. Ask For It. JAMES S. COWARD.

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JOHN A. DRAKE IN BAD SMASH

AUTO WRECKED: 4 MEN THROWN OUT, BUT ONLY JARRED.

Tried to Pass Peabody Machine-Skidded After Collision and Banged Into Telegraph Pole-Had Just Left Sheeps. head Bay Track-Woman Bruised

John A. Drake, the Chicago turfman and millionaire, was in a bad automobile smashup just outside the Sheepshead Bay racetrack last evening. He and three friends who were with him were flung out of the car, which was wrecked. None of the men, however, was seriously inju ed.

Mr. Drake left the Waldorf-Astoria for the races shortly after noon yesterday in his new \$13,000 car. He took with him L. L. Smith of Chicago and Christie Churchill of Louisville, Ky. Mr. Drake drove the car. After the last race the party was delayed in starting homeward because Mr. Churchill had won a good sized bet on Memories and he wanted to cash. After Churchill had colthe automobile and started out of the racetrack grounds. On the way to the gate Mr. Churchill recognized another Louisvillian, whom he introduced as Mr. Mack. The latter was invited to get into the auto and he did so.

Drake turned the car north on Ocean avenue and hit up a lively pace. He was anxious to overtake John W. Gates, who had started some time before in his big machine.

started some time before in his big machine. With Mr. Gates were Al Dwyer and several other Chicago men. It has long been a custom with automobilists to proceed up Ocean avenue to Kings Highway and then turn west to the Ocean Parkway and up that broad thoroughfare to Prospect Park. Mr. Drake was figuring on doing this.

As the machine sped up Ocean avenue it soon overtook an automobile in which were W. W. Peabody, the broker, and three women. This machine was being driven by Mr. Peabody's man Harris. Mr. Drake is considered a good driver and certainly has a speedy machine. He attempted to run out from the east curb in order to pass the Peabody machine. Just as he did so Harris decided to turn west on Avenue U. This is a narrow thoroughfare seldom used by automobilists in making for the Parkway.

As the Peabody machine turned to the it was struck sideways by Mr. Drake's The two machines skidded some few feet and Harris finally managed to turn his machine northward and continued on Ocean avenue. During the excitement, Mr. Drake kept his head and he tried to steer

The machine had been going at high speed and it shot across Ocean avenue like a torpedo. Before Mr. Drake could get it headed right, the car smashed head on into a telegraph pole. All hands were thrown and rolled together in a heap. They landed in a patch of grass and thus escaped with only a challing up. The car was completely a shaking up. The car was completely wrecked. The front part of it was smashed and twisted out of shape and the body and twisted out of shape and the body underneath was cracked and jarred from

e fastenings. The Peabody machine in the meantime had been stopped and the occupants rushed back to where Mr. Drake and his friends were getting themselves together again. Mr. Peabody's auto was only slightly damaged. One of the three ladies in it. Mrs. Stewart, had her arm badly bruised. When the collision occurrd she was hurled against the side of the car.

Mr. Peabody and his party were able to continue their trip, but Mr. Drake and his friends had to come home by trolley after

friends had to come home by trolley after hating the wrecked automobile dragged to a place of shelter.

Mr. Drake didn't reach the Waldorf-Astoria until 8 o'clock. He hurried to the bedside of his wife, who had been worrying over his tardiness. Mrs. Drake has been ill for some weeks and for the past ten days a physician has been in constant attendance on her. It was at first thought that she was It was at first thought that she was suffering from appendicitis. It was said last night, however, that Mrs. Drake was

W. B. WOODBRIDGE KILLED. Boston Insurance Man Is Crushed Under an

Automobile S. II. Wolf Injured. dent of the Columbian National Life Insurance Company, was killed in an autoand S. Herbert Wolf, a New York actuary, was seriously injured. Two other occupants of the car. A. Childs and W. E. Taylor, Boston business men, were shaken up, but not seriously hurt. The accident was caused by a mistake on the part of the operator of the machine, who in the darkness made a wrong turn and brought up against a barbed wire fence.

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The car turned over and landed in a garden. No one had time to jump, and when Childs and Taylor extricated themselves from the tangle they found that Mr. Woodbridge had been killed. Wolf was picked up in an unconscious condition. He was apparently suffering from a fracture of the skull. He is seriously if not ferally injured. He was removed to the

ture of the skull. He is seriously if not fatally injured. He was removed to the Lynn Hospital.

Childs and Taylor were taken to Boston y an automobile bound for that city which passed through Saugus an hour or wo after the accident

Woodbridge was graduated from Prince-ton with the class of 1893. In college he was a prominent track athlete. After leaving college he entered the insurance business. college he entered the insurance business. He is survived by his wife and two children. Wolf is a consulting actuary, with offices at 35 Nassau street, New York. Mr. Childs is president of the Hotel Somerset Company.

WON'T BELIEVE A COP. That Is, Unless He Has Corroboration When He Arrests a Chauffeur.

Police Justice Frank J. Higgins of the First Criminal Court, Jersey City, ruled resterday that the testimony of a policeman who swears that an autoist has violated the speed laws must be corroborated by at least one witness or he will not hold the defendant. He dismissed a complaint against Frank Smith, a negro chauffeur employed by Dr. L. A. Opdyke, because Bicycle Cop Sullivan had no one to corroborate his statement that he saw Smith break the speed laws in Mercer street.

BENT ARROW BILL AT CONEY. He and Eleven Stalwarts From Colorado

Shoot Up Things With Bat Masterson. Mr. Bat Masterson chaperoned an old riend from Colorado, Bent Arrow Bill Hawks, around Coney Island yesterday other stalwart, long mustached Coloradans he had brought from the West to see the sights of New York, got to town yesterday morning and called on the Deputy United States Marshal first thing. Bat invited them to see Coney. Mr. Masterson wanted to go to see the races at Sheepshead—in fact he had a hot tip on the Suburban; but

e responded loyally to the call of the wild. They had a great time at Luna Park and They had a great time at Luna Park and at the Boer War show at Brighton Beach. Bent Arrow Bill had his own opinion of British tactics as exemplified by the show and expressed them with native freedom. Afterward the party practised at shooting galleries in Luna Park. Mr. Masterson took a hand himself and mowed down took a hand himself and mowed down clay ducks and queer hand painted rabbits, while Bent Arrow Bill made bullseyes at three for a nickel.

The party spent some time at the Igorrote village at Luna Park, after which Mr. Mas-

village at Luna Park, after which Mr. Mas-terson treated. They returned to the city

McLaughlin-Dermody.

James Robert McLaughlin was married on Wednesday morning at the Holy Rosary Church in East 118th street, to Miss Helen Dermody. The ceremony was performed with a nuptial mass by Dr. T. H. Wall. The Rev. W. G. Murphy, vice-rector of the American College at Rome, gave the young couple his blessing. The honeymoon will be passed in Atlantic City.

MACD HAS COME HOME. Mother and Calf Doing Well, and the Police

Stop the Search. Maud is home. She is the Bronx cow that scandalized her owner and her friends by her uncowlike behavior and her disappearance. Maud's owner asked the police to look for her and a general alarm was sent out. The Tenderloin cops especially were asked to keep a sharp lookout, as her conduct had been such that it was feared

she would stray to that territory. The police didn't find Maud. She came home alone. The light in the cowshed window was kept burning for her nights, and Maud must have seen it. When her owner went out to the cowshed last night he found her standing near the door. She had a very new calf with her. She did not look one bit penitent; in fact she looked rather

proud. The calf was a bit shaky on its legs but

otherwise seemed healthy. After Maud had been comfortably housed and fed her owner went to the Morrisania police and told of her return. Being a discreet person he had not questioned Maud lected his winnings all hands climbed into and could tell the police nothing of her travels, but they were so glad to hear of her return that the following was sent out over the police wires from the Thirty sixth precinct.

"Maud, the cow who disappeared, has returned with a calf; both doing well."

WOMAN IN MIDDLETON CASE. Mystery Over "Grace Foster," Who Had

Access to His Safe Deposit Box. Among the papers of Willoughby Middleton there was found yesterday a receipt for box 1009 in the Knickerbocker safe deposit vaults, dated Feb. 9 last. It shows that Middleton paid \$20 for the box for a year and that "Grace Foster" was to have a right to enter the vault in addition to himself. So far as is known there was no woman employed under that name in the offices, and Lawyer Spellissy said yesterday that he hadn't the slightest idea who the woman

It was learned that Middleton visited the company's vaults sometimes twice a week. On a few visits he was accompanied by a woman. The same woman also went there alone. The last visit either of them made was on June 2, when Middleton was alone. This was the day following his last appear ance at his real estate office in 125th street although he was seen in the vicinity a week

Secretary Bigelow of the safe deposit company refused to give out any information regarding "Grace Foster" yesterday. When told that this name was on the re-

"Well, the name on our books at present is not the name that was on the original According to some of the employees, Middleton was at one time attentive to an actress. Some of the detectives have heard that he was seen boarding a train for Canada last Friday, accompanied by a woman. Lawyer Spellissy said yesterday that the fact that there didn't seem to be a dollar's

worth of assets in sight made any legal proceedings seem expensive. "Nevertheless." said he, "some action will te taken in a day or two, either to have a receiver appointed or to get a hearing tefore a referee in order to see if there is anything of value in the safe deposit box. That is the only hope the creditors have I don't believe there is anything but a few

PIERCE ASKED TO GET OUT. Superintendent of Westchester Home Criticized by Grand Jury.

WHITE PLAINS. N. Y., June 15 .- The Westchester Grand Jury, which adjourned to-day, handed up a presentment to Supreme Court Justice Maddox in which they recommended that the resignation of Superintendent James W. Pierce of the Westchester Temporary Home for Destitute ('hildren be accepted at once, because "it LYNN. Mass., June 15 .- William Butler would be for the best interests of the home Woodbridge of Boston, second vice-presi- and the public." Bovs who have escaped from the home have declared that they were cruelly beaten there, and the last Hall-now known as the Borough Hall- mobile accident in Saugus early to-day Grand Jury spent three days investigating

the charges. The presentment says that "corporal punishment is inflicted upon the inmakes of the home, notwithstanding the fact that it is against the rules of the institution, and the evidence makes it appear that the superintendent, James W. Pierce, is responsible intendent, James W. Pierce, is responsible to a great extent for the uncongenial condition of affairs in the home. According to the voluntary testimony of James Wood, the president of the home, the resignation of Mr. Pierce is in the hands of the board of managers and will be accepted as soon as a successor can be installed.

is said that Supt. Pierce will leave home on July 1 and many changes will be made in the institution, as sug-gested in the report of the special com-mittee of the State Board of Charities which recently investigated the condition

COL. BRADEN BADLY HURT. Truck Backs Into His Automobile Near

Seepshead Bay, Throwing Him Out. Col. E. J. Braden, business manager for Henry W. Savage, and one of the best known theatrical men in the city, was badly hurt just outside the entrance of the Sheepshead Bay race track vesterday afternoon by the collision of his automobile with a truck. Col. Braden was injured internally and was bruised from head to foot. His condition was serious last night

and it was not certain whether he would recover.

Col. Braden and his driver and some friends were trying to find a way through the mass of vehicles jammed outside the racetrack entrance. When the driver started the machine a truck loaded with

number backed upon it.

Col. Braden was thrown and fell on the cinder walk, where he lay unconecious. He was taken first to the Emergency Hospital at Coney Island and then to the Kings County Hospital. Last night he was re-moved to his apartments at the Carlton Hotel, 203 West Fifty-fourth street.

Harmony in the Electrical Union. At a meeting held last night in Teutonia Hall of the New York Electrical Workers' Union John F. Hogan was deposed as president and John Maddocks elected in his stead. The union was split some time ago, but the two factions have got together now and settled their differences.

SAY THAT SUBWAY AIR IS BAD

BUT IT'S NOT OUR FAULT, ADD THE INTERBOROUGH FOLKS.

Letters From Belmont and Rice at the Rapid Transit Meeting-Expert Commission to Tackle the Problem-Flood Laid to the Water Department.

That there are good grounds for the complaints which have been made of the oppressiveness of the air in the subway was admitted yesterday at the meeting of the Rapid Transit Commission in letters sent to the board by Chief Engineer Rice and August Belmont of the Interborough com-

Mr. Belmont, while admitting that the ventilation of the tunnel was not as good as it should be, reminded the commission that the Interborough company had merely followed out the plans prepared by the engineers of the board. Mr. Belmont added that his company was anxious to better the conditions and would make any changes or improvements desired by the com-Mr. Rice in a report to the board said

that since the hot weather had set in the air of the tunnel was stuffy and that at the entrances to the subway there could be detected a very pronounced smell which he attributed to the heat generated by the running of the trains over the tracks and to the use of lubricating oils. He suggested that a scientific investigation be made during the summer months and asked for authority from the commission to employ experts. This authority the board granted. The responsibility for the break in the The responsibility for the preas in the Park avenue water main was put up to the Water Department by Chief Engineer Rice. Mr. Rice reported that when the main was replaced by the subway contractors a proper foundation was provided for it and that the breakage was not the to any negligance, upon the part of vided for it and that the breakage was not due to any negligence upon the part of the contractor, but to the fact that the pipes of the main were between thirty and forty years old and had flanges only four inches in length while the modern mains were fitted with eight-inch flanges. No action was taken by the board.

Mayor McClellan and Comptroller Grout had been in hopes that the argument on

Mayor McClellan and Comptroller Grout had been in hopes that the argument on the application restraining the Board of Estimate from acting on the new subway plans would not have been heard until after the meeting. This would have given the board an opportunity to approve the routes and allow the beginning of the work of preparing the specifications for the contracts. The Aldermen, however, got ahead of the board by successfully appealing through their counsel, L. Lafin Kellogg, to have the argument heard vesterday. to have the argument heard yesterday.

As a result of the hearing before Justice Blanchard it was agreed on both sides to take the matter to the Appellate Division in order to expedite matters. In the meantime the Board of Estimate has been restrained from acting on the franchises.
In following out their contention that
the act taking from them their franchise granting powers is unconstitutional the Aldermen have advertised a public hearing for June 22 on the application for street railroad franchises of the Interborough company. In calling this hearing the Aldermen are acting on legal advice.

BLAMES SUBWAY AIR. Young Woman Faints at 72d Street Station After Ride From Downtown.

Rebecca Normand, a stenographer, on her way to her home at 111 West 115th street. fainted on the platform of the subway station at Seventy-second street last evening. Policeman Dougherty carried her into the open air and revived her.

The ambulance surgeon who took her to Roosevelt Hospital, diagnosed the case in two words: Subway air."

NEW SUMMER CONCERTS. Richard Henry Warren and an Orchestra Heard at St. Nicholas Garden.

Richard Henry Warren, who has long been known as an organist and conductor of church music, began last night a series of orchestral concerts at the St. Nicholas Garden, previously dedicated to the same use under the auspices of Franz Kaltenborn and John S. Dusa. The hall has been decorated with palms and garlands and there was a large audience of Mr. Warren's friends present last night to start him prosperously on his new venture.

No previous conductor ever had the com-bined advantage of ecclesiastical backing and the opposition to selling beer. Summer concert seasons are customarily backed by brewers, so beer had been a matter of course until Episcopal indortement came in to conflict with it. As it was, this opposition appears to have been slight. The bill of fare offered three kinds of been considered to this liberality was the change bill of fare offered three sides of the chance opposed to this liberality was the chance to drink four kinds of mineral water. This issue was clouded, however, by the advertisements of five brands of champagne. This heafting platform led most of the audi-This baffling platform led most of the audience tototal abstinence and the tables were generally empty of bottles and glasses.

Mr. Warren, who has never been known Mr. Warren, who has never been gnown as the conductor of an orchestra, has about forty trained players under his baton. They may be relied on to get through the average popular program of familiar numbers with credit unless they are interrupted too frequently. There were ten numbers at the list last night beginning bergies! too frequently. There were ten numbers on the list last night, beginning hercically with the prelude to "Die Meistersinger." After Bizet, Mendelssohn, Hayden and Strauss, Mr. Warren conducted "Tammany." The orchestra played it much better than it did the Wagner overture, which explained the greater enjoyment of

the audience.

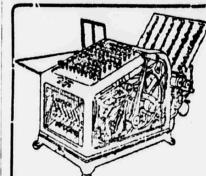
There was a notable degree of amateur ishness in the performance of most of the pretentious numbers and it cannot be said hat Mr. Warren fixed his fame as an or-hestral conductor in one night. It is chestral conductor in one night. It is also undeniable that his friends seem d to find great pleasure in his concert. The is to be a concert of Wagner's music next Thursday.

News of Plays and Players.

Sunday night vaudeville concerts will be put on at the Wistaria Grove, atop of the New York Theater, beginning next Sunday. The program will include the regular vaudeville features that have appeared at the roof garden during this week and also some of the stars in "When We Are Forty-one" will appear in short variety sketches. Clyde Fitch, who is in Paris, having heard reports that he was to collaborate with Theodore Kremer on a series of plays, cabled his agent, Miss Elisabeth Marbury. to deny absolutely that he had ever col-laborated with Mr. Kremer, was collaborat-ing with him or had any intention of ever

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esterday. in 18.3 and was graduated from the Cit for some years, but took up the active practise of law and became a partner in Blumen stiel & Hirsch, Mr. Blumenstiel devote: stell & Hirsch. Mr. Blumenstiel devoted most of his study to the bankrupter laws and became one of the leading authorities on that branch of Federal practise. He was the author of several legal treatises, among them "Blumenstiel on Bankruptey." He ran against the late Justice McAdam for Justice of the old Marine Court, now known as the City Court, but was beaten. He took an active interest in city politics all his life. His later years were devoted to the completion of an elaborate work on bankrupter laws, in several volumes, and it was for a rest after the last volume had been finished that he sailed for Europe two weeks ago. Mr. Blumenstiel left eight children, three sons and five daughters. Two of the sons, Emanuel and Edwin, have been associated with him of late under the firm name of Blumenstiel's wife died in March last, after a brief illness, and her death is said to have been a great shock to him.

Alexander R. Turnbull, 51 years old, died Alexander R. Turnbull, 51 years old, died vesterday morning while on his way from his home, 915 Sterling place, Brooklyn, to the Bank of Commerce in Manhattan, where he was long employed as a bookleeper. Recoming faint on a Nostrand avenue trolley car, which he boarded near his home, he was assisted from the car by fellow passengers and carried to the office of Dr. George Hamlin, 126) Pacific street, dying just as he reached the house. His wife and two children survive him. Sainuel Goldberger, president of the H. Koehler Brewing Company, died vesterday at his summer home at Long Branch, aged 57. He was born in Germany and came to

this country twenty-three years ago. He was a member of the Monteflore Home, the Hebrew Orphan Asylum, the Hebrew Infant Asylum, the United Hebrew Charities and the Technical Institution for Girls. He leaves a widow, three sons and a daughter.

Frances M. Hill Betts, wife of Supreme Court Justice James A. Betts, died at her home in Pearl street, Kingston, N. Y., yesterday, after a long illness. She was a descendant of Major Andrew Hill, who came to America and settled near Peckskill. She was a mem-

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Territory, his son, José Chavee of this city, comes in for two-thirds of the estate, the value of which is estimated at several m llion dollars. Young Chaves is also made sole executor without a bond. He is a member of the New York Athletic Club. It was said there yesterday that he had gone to New Mexico.